

1 ELECTRONIC WATERMARKING METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPRESSED  
2 AUDIO DATA, AND SYSTEM THEREFOR

3 Abstract

4 The present invention provides a method and a system with  
5 which information embedded in compressed digital audio data  
6 can be directly operated. An embodiment of the system for  
7 embedding additional information in compressed audio data  
8 includes: means for extracting MDCT (Modified Discrete  
9 Cosine Transform) coefficients from the compressed audio  
10 data; means for employing the MDCT coefficients to calculate  
11 a frequency component for the compressed audio data; means  
12 for embedding additional information in the frequency  
13 component obtained in a frequency domain; means for  
14 transforming into MDCT coefficients the frequency component  
15 in which the additional information is embedded; and means  
16 for using the MDCT coefficients, in which the additional  
17 information is embedded, to generate compressed audio data.